

CHAPTER 9: The WholeHearted Learning Youth: Beyond the WholeHearted Child



Why do parents need to think biblically and boldly about the critical years of young adulthood?

What do you think it means when the author challenges you (on page 169 in the last paragraph) to "swim with them (your children) through the waters of their youth"?

For better it is to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered by failure, than to take rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy much nor suffer much, because they live in the gray twilight that knows neither victory nor defeat. ~Theodore Roosevelt




*A*ccording to the author, young adulthood is not the time for parents to let go of their children. Instead, parents should do what?




*W*hat is the one primary force that parents must respect and understand because of its power over young adults?

*Y*ou can help them (your children) to be _____ and _____ in making these choices, but you should minor on the _____ symbols of culture that are mostly only temporary badges of _____ and major instead on the _____ growth of _____ that reveals _____.



 On page 172, briefly summarize what the author is saying about how and why we should choose (and teach our young adults to choose) to be transformed rather than conformed to this world.

 In the last paragraph on page 173, what do the Clarksons say is the reason they wrote this chapter of the book?



The Clarksons believe that parents' primary purpose with their high school children should be what? Explain what this means.



As the _____ on your child's life becomes more clear, the _____ should become a more _____.

Our goals as parents during the teen years should be to help each child follow their _____ and find their _____. Determining _____ and _____ is about _____. Each has a distinct _____, and each is a critical part of your child's successful transition from _____ to _____.



Making a living is about what?



There are _____ ways to _____,
and the required _____ can be _____ and _____
by _____. To make a living well and honorably
in a way that pleases God, though, is also about _____,
_____, _____,
_____, and _____. These
things cannot be learned in a _____. And that's
where _____ comes in.

In his 2008 book **Outliers**, Malcolm Gladwell cites the
"10,000 Hour Rule" of practicing a task as the key to
success in any field. We've seen that in our children. Sarah
has put in 10,000 hours reading countless books, revealed
in her profound insights into story. Joel has put in 10,000
hours in composition, expressed in his success in school
and his musical abilities. Homeschooling, especially in the
formative high school years, is uniquely suited to allowing a
child a shot at 10,000 hours. ~Clay Clarkson



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f all the focus during the teen years is on making a living, the real need to help them first determine their calling and career won't be properly in focus. For this reason, the Clarksons determined to focus on who their children would become rather than only what they would do. What 7 areas did they focus on in order to do this? Name and give a brief description of each one.



1. _____ -- _____

2. _____ -- _____

3. _____ -- _____

4. _____ -- _____

5. _____ -- _____

6. _____ -- _____

7. _____ -- _____



The Clarksons stress that, while they are sharing the journey with their own children, each family's journey will differ. They suggest that instead of following the world's lead or a particular formula for educating our teens that instead we each set priorities for learning with our wholehearted youth. What are the 7 priorities that became what WholeHearted Learning by faith looked like in the Clarkson home with their teens? Name and give a brief description of each. Are there any other priorities you would like to add or any that you would change for your own teens?



1. _____ -- _____

2. _____ -- _____

3. _____ -- _____

4. _____ -- _____

5. _____ -- _____

6. _____ -- _____

7. _____ -- _____

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Are there any other priorities you would like to add or any that you would change for your own teens?

Name and briefly describe each element involved in "living with Our WholeHearted Youth."

1. _____ -- _____

2. _____ -- _____

3. _____ -- _____

4. _____ -- _____

5. _____ -- _____

6. _____ -- _____

7. _____ -- _____

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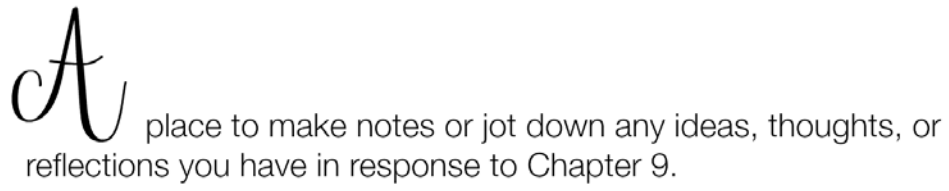


The Clarkson's' decision to do high school differently is about what?



What reason do the Clarkson's give for resisting conforming and choosing instead what they consider a transformed approach to high school for their young adult children?







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